



Application for Party Boat Operator License (PWD 1207)

Use this application to apply for a new license, renew a license, replace a lost license, or update information on an existing license.

Applicant Name (First, MI, Last): _____

Social Security Number: _____

Required by federal law for any occupational license.

Once entered, office staff must mark out with black marker.

Address: _____

Contact Phone Number: (____) _____

City, State, Zip: _____

For New and Renewing Licenses: The department will not issue a party boat operator license to any person who has not passed a department-approved written examination on safe party boat operation, or to any person who is prohibited from holding an equivalent license in another state. The department may refuse to issue or renew a license under certain additional circumstances. For more information, see page 2. **By signing this form, applicant certifies that no prohibitions or disqualifying violations exist.**

Office Use Only:

Staff verification of NO disqualifying violations in TPWD L.E.S. by: _____; at (TPWD Office): _____

New Party Boat Operator License – You must complete items 1 through 3 below and provide documentation, signatures, and the fee for processing. (See [Fee Chart](#).)

1. Verification of age 21 or older (Required for New License)

Date of Birth: ____ / ____ / ____ (Proof of age 21 – If mailed, send copy of proof of age such as a copy of driver’s license, state issued ID, or birth certificate.)

Verified by: _____; at (TPWD office): _____

(TPWD staff – do not submit the copy of driver’s license, state ID, or birth certificate with the transaction paperwork to be imaged.)

2. Education Courses (Required for New License)

Successful completion of the TPWD Basic Boater Education Course, list the following information:

Student ID #: _____ (HABES) Course Completion Date: ____ / ____ / ____

Proof of successful completion of the TPWD Party Boat Operator License exam.

Student ID #: _____ (HABES) Course Completion Date: ____ / ____ / ____

(Or attach documentation denoting temporary exam completion (bottom section of answer sheet); the score sheet must be faxed to (512) 389-8042 by the designated person (proctor) observing the exam process separate from this application process so this can be entered into the TPWD education system.)

3. Experience (Required for New License – check the box that applies [option A or option B] and attach documentation.)

A. At least four hours of observing a licensed party boat operator operating a party boat on open water (location and date(s)).

Location: _____ Time(s) and Date(s): _____

Signature-Licensed party boat operator (or licensed USCG Captain) _____ Printed Name _____ Operator License Number _____ Contact Phone # (____) _____

AND, At least four hours operating a party boat on open water while supervised and observed by a licensed operator:

Location: _____ Time(s) and Date(s): _____

Signature-Licensed party boat operator (or licensed USCG Captain) _____ Printed Name _____ Operator License Number _____ Contact Phone # (____) _____

OR:

B. At least 25 documented hours of experience operating a party boat, and no record of boating violations (Attach documentation of hours and experience, i.e. vessel logs, employer affidavit). **Staff verification of NO boating violations in TPWD L.E.S. by:** _____; **at (TPWD Office):** _____
For a list of boating violations, see page 2.

Renew an Existing License (See [Fee Chart](#)); **Change Address? Note any address changes in the boxes below.**

(Renewals must occur within 60 days of license expiration or apply for a new license.)

Replace a Lost or Destroyed License (See [Fee Chart](#)); **Change Address? Note any address changes in the boxes below.**

Update an Existing License – required within 30 days of any change in information.

Change the following items as indicated below due to a Customer Request (See [Fee Chart](#)) or Processor Error: Name changes require supporting documentation (i.e., government issued photo ID) for verification.

<input type="checkbox"/> Applicant Name (First, MI, Last):	_____
<input type="checkbox"/> Address, City, State and Zip:	_____
<input type="checkbox"/> DOB / SSN / Contact Phone #:	_____

WARNING: Falsifying information on documents is a punishable offense – Texas Penal Code Chapter 37, Section 37.10. Any person who knowingly makes a false entry in, or false alteration of a governmental record is guilty of a felony of the third degree, punishable by confinement in jail for any term of not more than 10 years or less than 2 years and punishable by a fine not to exceed \$10,000. I hereby certify that all statements in this document are true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Applicant Signature

Applicant Printed Name

Date

Application for Party Boat Operator License (PWD 1207) – Violations

Disqualifying Violations

Disqualifying violations may include (but are not limited to):

0202	WS: BWI-BOATING WHILE INTOXICATED	0204	WS: BWI-INTOXICATION MANSLAUGHTER	0208	WS: RECKLESS/NEGLIGENT OPERATION
0203	WS: BWI-INTOXICATION ASSAULT	0205	WS: RECKLESS OPERATION/EXCESS SPEED		

The Department **MAY REFUSE** to issue or renew a party boat operator license if:

- An applicant is liable to the state under [Parks and Wildlife Code §12.301](#); or
- An applicant has a final conviction or has been assessed an administrative penalty for a violation of:
 - [Penal Code, Chapter 49](#) involving the operation of a motorboat; or
 - [Parks and Wildlife Code, Chapter 31](#), involving reckless or negligent behavior, or behavior that placed passengers in peril; or
 - A provision of the Parks and Wildlife Code that is punishable as a Parks and Wildlife Code:
 - Class A or B misdemeanor, state jail felony, or felony;
 - [Water Code, §26.121](#); or
 - Any federal or state law relating to the sale, distribution, financing, registration, or taxing of a vessel, motorboat, or outboard motor; or
- The department has evidence that the applicant is acting on behalf of or as a surrogate for another person or entity who has a final conviction or has been assessed an administrative penalty for any violation listed above.

Boating Violations

Specific **boating violations** disqualify an applicant from submitting 25 hours of experience operating a party boat, and require qualification based instead on 4 hours of observation and 4 hours of documented operation. These include:

0100	PWC: FAIL TO WEAR PFD	0219	PWC: TOWING W/PWC DESIGN LESS THAN 2 PERSONS	0399	WS: OTHER TITLING/REGISTRATION VIOLATION
0101	PWC: LANYARD/CUT-OFF SWITCH NOT ATTACHED	0220	PWC: JUMPING WAKE RECKLESSLY/TOO CLOSE	0400	LIVERY: PERMIT TO OPERATE W/O REQUIRED EQUIP
0102	WS: NO FLAME ARRESTOR/BACKFIRE TRAP	0221	PWC: SWERVE LAST MOMENT TO AVOID COLLISION	0401	LIVERY: PERMIT TO OPERATE W/INVALID REG NO
0103	WS: INSUFFICIENT PFDS	0222	WS: OPERATE WITHIN DIVER DOWN FLAG AREA	0402	LIVERY: FAIL TO OBTAIN CERT OF NO FOR VESSEL
0104	WS: PFD NOT READILY ACCESSIBLE	0223	WS: FAIL TO REDUCE POWER FOR POLICE WS VESSE	0403	LIVERY: VIOLATE RENTAL RECORDS REQUIREMENTS
0105	WS: CHILD NOT WEARING PFD	0299	WS: ANY OTHER OPERATIONAL VIOLATION	0404	LIVERY: OPER BUSINESS W/O LIABILITY INS
0106	WS: IMPROPER LIGHTS	0300	WS: UNREGISTERED VESSEL	0405	LIVERY: FAIL TO PROVIDE REQUIRED INSTRUCTION
0107	WS: NO/IMPROPER MIRROR OR NO OBSERVER	0301	WS: FAIL TO HAVE CERTIFICATE OF NO ON BOARD	0406	LIVERY: FAIL TO OBTAIN LEASE ACKNOWLEDGE
0108	WS: NO WHISTLE/OTHER SOUND-PRODUCING DEVICE	0302	WS: FAIL SHOW CERTIFICATE OF NO TO OFFICER	0407	PARTY BOAT: NO OPERATOR'S LICENSE
0109	WS: NO/IMPROPER FIRE EXTINGUISHER	0303	WS: FAIL TO PROPERLY DISPLAY REG. NO/DECAL	0408	PARTY BOAT: OWNER FAIL TO PROVIDE REQUIRED STAFF
0110	WS: FIRE EXTING NOT ACCESSIBLE/SERVICEABLE	0304	WS: OPER/PERMIT TO OPER W/INVALID REG. NO	0409	PARTY BOAT: EXCEED NUMBER OF PASSENGERS
0111	WS: IMPROPER VENTILATION EQUIPMENT	0305	WS: UNAUTHORIZED NO. DISPLAYED ON BOW	0410	PARTY BOAT: OPERATE W/O ADEQUATE LAND COMMUNICATION
0112	WS: NO EXHAUST WATER MANIFOLD/MUFFLER	0306	WS: FAIL TO APPLY FOR TITLE WITHIN 20 DAYS AFTER SALE	0411	PARTY BOAT: NO ANNUAL INSPECTION
0113	WS: PERMIT TO OPERATE W/O REQUIRED EQUIPMENT	0307	WS: DEFACE/ALTER CERTIFICATE OF NO/REG NO	0412	PARTY BOAT: FAIL TO PROVIDE PASSENGERS W/SAFETY INFORMATION
0114	WS: NO TYPE 4 PFD	0308	WS: FAIL NOTIFY TRANS/DESTRUC/ABAND OF VES	0413	PARTY BOAT: LIABILITY INSURANCE VIOLATION
0199	WS: ANY OTHER EQUIPMENT VIOLATION	0309	WS: FAIL TO NOTIFY OF CHANGE OF ADDRESS	0414	PARTY BOAT: STAFF DRUG OR ALCOHOL TEST REFUSAL/VIOLATION
0200	PWC: OPERATE WITHIN A PROHIBITED AREA	0310	WS: POSS VESSEL/MOTOR W/ALTERED HIN/SERIAL	0498	PARTY BOAT: ANY OTHER VIOLATION
0201	PWC: OPERATE BETWEEN SUNSET/SUNRISE	0311	WS: DESTROY/ALTER/REMOVE VES/MOTOR HIN/SER	0499	LIVERY: ANY OTHER VIOLATION
0206	WS: OPERATE VESSEL IN RESTRICTED AREA	0312	NO MARINE LICENSE (DEALER, DISTRIBUTOR, MANUFACTURER)	0500	BOAT ACCIDENT: OPERATOR FAIL TO RENDER AID
0207	WS: VIOLATE USCG INLAND RULES	0313	MARINE LICENSE USE VIOLATION	0501	BOAT ACCIDENT: OPERATOR FAIL TO GIVE ID
0209	WS: EXCESSIVE SPEED	0314	ANY OTHER MARINE LICENSE VIOLATION	0502	BOAT ACCIDENT: FAIL TO SUBMIT BAR/30 DAYS
0210	WS: TOW 1/2 HR AFTER SUNSET – 1/2 HR BEFORE SUNRISE	0315	MARINE LICENSEE: NO NUMBERS DISPLAYED ON VESSEL	0600	WS: BOATER EDUCATION VIOLATION
0211	WS: FAIL TO TOW IN CAREFUL/PRUDENT MANNER	0316	MARINE LICENSEE: NO VALIDATION DECALS	0601	WS: FAIL TO COMPLETE REQUIRED BOAT ED COURSE
0212	WS: INTERFERE WITH MARKERS/BOAT RAMP	0317	MARINE LICENSEE: NO VALIDATION CARD	0700	WS: REFUSE TO OBEY DIRECTIONS OF OFFICER
0213	WS: HAZARDOUS WAKE OR WASH	0318	MARINE LICENSEE: EXCEED VESSEL USE LIMITATIONS	0701	WS: VIOLATE PROMISE TO APPEAR
0214	WS: OBSTRUCT PASS IN RIVER/CHANNEL/BOAT RAMP	0319	MARINE LICENSEE: DAILY LOG VIOLATION	0702	WS: VIOLATE SEWAGE DISPOSAL REGULATIONS
0215	WS: CIRCULAR COURSE AROUND FISHERMAN/SWIMMER	0320	MARINE LICENSEE: SHOW, DEM., TEST W/O VALID MARINE LICENSE	0703	WS: LOCAL REGULATION PWC 31.092 VIOLATION
0216	WS: SWIM/DIVE W/1 200 YD OF EXCURSION BOAT	0321	MARINE LICENSEE: LEGITIMATE BUSINESS ACTIVITIES USE VIOLATION	0704	WS: MOTORBOAT SALES TAX VIOLATION
0217	PWC: OPERATE W/1 50' EXCESS OF HEADWAY SPEED			0799	WS: ANY OTHER VIOLATIONS
0218	PWC: UNDER 16 YOA W/O 18YR OLD ACCOMPANY				